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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 18, 2002 in connection with the aboveidentified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

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